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PROHIBITION DRAWS NEAR.

Two weeks from today the sale of spirituous malt liquors in the State of Virginia will be unlawful. A majority of the present generation two years ago sent forth their fiat to this effect, and when the new law shall have been put in force we hope those entrusted with its execution will see that it is carried out in letter and spirit.

During the memorable contest of 1914 many people in the Old Dominion favored local option—that is to allow each community to say whether or not liquor could be sold therein.

Many "forecasts" of conditions under prohibition have been made. The continuity of Alexandria to Washington affords anxiety to many. Such suppose that liquor will be brought here ad libitum by certain people of this city who may visit Washington. This may in a few cases prove true, but those believing in total abstinence point to the fact that orderly resorts of whites and black will have passed away under the new law; hence conditions will necessarily be improved.

We all know that it is impossible to legislate vice out of the world. Mahomet was a teetotaler of the strictest sect. He uprooted the vine in order to stop wine-drinking, but Mussulmans have long since regarded this edict of the "prophet" as a thing honored in its breach than in its observance.

We will doubtless see some intoxicated persons in the streets after the first of next month, but we hope that in the main, those who brought about the new law will not be disappointed in its results.

ANOTHER NERO.

The history of Nero, one of the emperors of Rome, is familiar to most school children. He has for many centuries been referred to as the most cruel and prodigal man who ever disgraced a throne. Among his many brutal acts it is recorded of him that he took Christians, saturated their clothing with oil and setting them on fire converted them into lamp posts and temporarily lighted the streets of the city of the Caesars. According to advices from Mexico, there is a fiend in the western hemisphere, now thirsting for power, who is capable of performing any feat of cruelty which has been ascribed to Nero.

Francisco Villa's attack on Cuahuitlan is described by survivors in an article printed by El Democrata, of Chihuahua, which has reached El Paso, Texas, as accompanied by horrors almost without parallel in the history of the recent revolution. Women and children fell, as well as men, in the massacre, and survivors told of the case of a woman who, because she had nursed the wounds of Gen. Garza, was said to have been shot and wounded, and with her infant child was soaked with petroleum and burned to death.

UNWELCOME VISITOR

The home of Mrs. Mary O'Neal at Reliance, Del., has a very unwelcome visitor in a huge blacksnake. The presence of the snake was discovered a few days ago, when its skin was found under a chair in the parlor, where it had been for a new fall and winter suit. A search disclosed a big blacksnake coiled on one of the shelves of a closet where the winter supply of preserves was kept. Before it could be killed, the reptile slipped down a rather long flight of stairs for days the unwelcome visitor has been seen in various parts of the house, but has invariably disappeared from sight, so rid the house of it.

The Delaware woman, who cultivated the friendship of the confidant with her black snake, was by her premises a wide berth, they knew that a large snake, coiled within white rats and mice, will no longer be seen about the house. Place is not yet known.

PRAYER ELIMINATED

Brings to Mind Burning of Gazette Office.

The house of deputies of the general conference of the Protestant Episcopal Church in St. Louis yesterday voted to eliminate the special prayers for the morning and evening prayer service and to substitute for them a prayer for the safety and preservation of the nation. The same prayer will be used in both services.

Had this prayer been eliminated fifty-four years ago the Eighth Illinois Cavalry would not have had a pretext for burning the Gazette office in the early part of the year 1862. Rev. Mr. Stewart who was conducting the service in St. Paul's Church assumed the responsibility of eliminating it at an inopportune time and was arrested. The Gazette's account of this incident so incensed the members of the Eighth Illinois Cavalry that they burned the office the following Monday night.

COST TO BE BORN

While the people of this country are laboring under the constantly increased penalty of existence, plans are now being effected for advancing the price of advent into this world.

Belleville, Illinois physicians, are planning the adoption of a new fee scale, which will increase the cost of being born in that place from a minimum of \$15 to \$25 and make a night call for a doctor cost \$5 instead of \$3, as now. The doctors also will raise the cost of day and office calls.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Under the above heading the Gazette will be pleased to give reasonable space to any person who desires to make comment upon matters of general interest to the public. Writers will of course be responsible for their utterances. A guarantee of good faith, the name and address of the writer of any article submitted for publication will be required in each instance.—Editor Gazette.

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Editor Gazette:

If one will refer to An Act of the General Assembly 1902-3—4 amending chapter 44 of the Code of Virginia (1887) beginning on page 412 which act "relates to the government of cities and towns" he will find on pages 429-30 that "In addition to the powers conferred by other general statutes that 'the City Council may in its discretion authorize or require the fire department thereof to render aid in cases of fire occurring beyond their limits' and may 'prescribe the conditions under which such aid may be rendered.' Now, it is assumed that this law has not been repealed by ordinance authorized the use of its Fire Department or 'prescribed the conditions under which aid may be rendered,' so the question may well be asked, Who has the authority to order the fire department, or any portion of it to go beyond the corporate limits one square or one mile?

It is true the City Council by an ordinance approved May 31st, 1912, as published in the Alexandria Gazette, June 4th, 1912, passed an "Ordinance Regarding Committee on Fire," which in the first section we read as follows. That the "Fire Department of the City shall be under the control, supervision and management of a committee of council to be known as a Committee on Fire." Are the words of the ordinance viz: control—supervision—management—sufficiently comprehensive, broad and specific to warrant the conclusion that the State law is observed, and the City Council in this may "authorize and require the fire department" and "prescribe the conditions under which such aid may be rendered?" If the motor engine is to be used pro-bon public the City Council should so order.

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Take notice we shall, on Saturday, the 11th day of November, 1916, at ten o'clock a. m., at the Court House thereof in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, apply to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia for license to purchase, receive, store and sell soft drinks and ardent spirits on prescription, or pure fruit, ethyl, or grain alcohol for scientific, mechanical, or pharmaceutical purposes, and wine for sacramental purposes, and this notice is hereby given under the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 10, 1916.

Given under our hand this 12th day of October, 1916.

E. L. Allen and Co.

244-St. Oct. 18-25. Nov. 1.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in conformity with the provision of an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 10, 1916, (Act 1916, Chapter 146, pages 219-223-224), the undersigned will on the 13th day of November 1916, apply to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, at Eleven o'clock a. m., for license to purchase, store and sell wine for sacramental purposes, pure whiskey and pure brandy; and pure fruit, ethyl and grain alcohol for medicinal, scientific, mechanical and pharmaceutical purposes; and to purchase and use ardent spirits and alcohol for the manufacture of flavoring extracts, toilet, medicinal and antiseptic preparations or solutions, and patent and proprietary medicines, as provided in the said Act of Assembly.

C. J. W. Summers,

-901 Duke Street

Dated Alexandria, Va., October 11, 1916.

244-St. Oct. 18-25. Nov. 1.

Take notice that Rammel Mfg. Co. will on Wednesday the first day of November, 1916, at ten o'clock a. m. at the Court House thereof in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, make application to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, for a license to purchase, receive, store, pure fruit, ethyl and grain alcohol for the manufacture of flavoring extracts.

Given under my hand this 14th day of October, 1916.

Rammel Mfg. Co.

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The undersigned Trustee in Bankruptcy of the estate of Sallie P. Luzzano, will under and by virtue of an order entered by the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, on the 30th day of September, 1916, offer for sale a public auction at the Market Building, at eleven (11:00) o'clock a. m. on SATURDAY, OCT. 21, 1916, the following lot of ground improved by a handsome three-story brick residence, situated on North Alfred Street, between Cameron and Queen Streets and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the east side of Alfred Street, 120 feet north of Cameron Street and at the north line of an alley 10 feet wide, and running thence north on Alfred Street 37 feet 8 2/3 inches; thence east parallel with Cameron Street 113 feet 5 inches to an alley 20 feet wide; thence south parallel with Alfred Street 37 feet 8 2/3 inches to the first mentioned alley; and thence west on said alley and parallel with Cameron Street 113 feet, 5 inches to the beginning, together with the use of said alleys and all other appurtenances to the same belonging.

Terms of sale: All cash; a deposit of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) will be required at the time of sale, and the balance within ten (10) days after the sale is confirmed; otherwise, the property to be re-sold at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser. Conveyancing at the cost of purchaser.

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244-St. Trustee in Bankruptcy.

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2:00, 2:20, 2:40, 3:00, 3:20, 3:40, 4:00
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